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SUBJ: QUEVEDO-KUBISCH CONVERSATION: MEXICO FONMINS MEETING

1. IN JAN. 9 CONVERSATION COVERING VARIOUS SUBJECTS, ECUADOREAN AMB. QUEVEDO EXPRESSED BELIEF MEXICO CITY FONMINS MEETING WOULD HAVE POSITIVE RESULTS. ASST SECY KUBISCH SAID HE SHARED THIS VIEW AND EXPRESSED HOPE ALL COUNTRIES WOULD TAKE PRAGMATIC APPROACH. SAID WE DESIRED HAVE CONSTRUCTIVE DISCUSSIONS CHARACTERIZED BY MUTUAL RESPECT FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS AND WITHOUT ATMOSPHERE OF CONFRONTATION EVIDENT IN SOME INTER-AMERICAN GATHERINGS. ASKED WHETHER ECUADOREAN APPROACH TO MEETING WOULD BE PRAGMATIC ONE, QUEVEDO SAID FONMIN LUCIO PAREDES WOULD DEFINITELY APPROACH MEETING IN THAT SPIRIT.

2. KUBISCH SAID WE WERE CONSIDERING WHETHER TO PROPOSE ANY ADDITIONS TO 8-ITEM AGENDA OF MEETING AND WERE THINKING OF LAW OF THE SEA AS POSSIBLE SUGGESTION. HE ASKED FOR QUEVEDO'S PERSONAL VIEW AS TO WHETHER ITS ADDITION TO FORMAL AGENDA AS TOPIC FOR DISCUSSION WOULD
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BE HELPFUL. QUEVEDO SAID THAT, SPEAKING PERSONALLY,

HE DID NOT THINK SO. HE THOUGHT THIS WAS SUBJECT WHICH
COULD MOST CONSTRUCTIVELY BE TREATED AT THIS STAGE
INFORMALLY THROUGH BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS RATHER THAN IN
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